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PRODUCING ULTRAFINE DRUG  
PARTICLES

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**AMENDMENT UNDER § 1.111**

**MS AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated December 28, 2009, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application:

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**Remarks** begin on page 8.